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Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee  
Police Station Community Room  
January 5, 2022 @ 6:30pm

In Attendance:

Amanda Barlow- Vice-Chairperson  
Brian Almeida  
Brian Miller  
Carlos Lopes  
Ellen Lima  
Jeffrey Amaral- Committee Chairperson  
Lynn Furtado- Committee Clerk

Call to Order:

Jeff called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

1. Approval of Minutes:

Lynn made a motion was made to approve the minutes from the last meeting Amanda seconded the motion.

2. Review of the Open Space Planning process by Bill Napolitano.

Jeff called Bill and discussed the plan and he was planning on making the meeting today but he couldn't make it today. He is willing to meet with us virtually next time.

When Jeff talked to Bill he stated that we do not need to look over each section, he just wants the committee to create a wish list for section 9.

Within section 9, we need to gather everyone's ideas this includes not only the committee's ideas but everyone else in town. Once the spring comes along we will be able to attend and share events within the community.

3. Collective, Open Discussion with focus on Community vision relation to sections 7, 8, and 9 of the open space plan

Carlos updated the committee regarding the Boat Ramp and Town Beach working group, a letter was sent from the town to the Massachusetts office of fishing and boating access to update our boat doc fee and use an app to park.

Only section 9 was discussed within this meeting as Bill instructed us to focus on Section 9. As a committee, we came up with a few things on our 'wish list' for section 9. Open space and recreation moving forward will be working on section 9. We will work with our own group to create ideas and then we will create events to share with the town and get their input.

Carlos stated that this will streamline our work, but now we have to connect with other committees. Brian A hosting events will help get the community on board.

Wish list for section 9:

- Redo Hathaway Park
  - Kayak Stand
  - Fishing doc/observation deck
  - New Parking
  - New Road
  - New Play area
- Hydration station (near library)
- Acquire Lawrence park
- Bike lanes
- New trails and hiking
- Fix Bandstand
- Dog Park (at Hathaway or KRR)
- Beach renovation
- Softball Field
- Have the Open Space plan before a town Board or Department
  - With leasing input
  - Space input
  - Any usage
- Develop (advertise) porter pasture
- Obtain more land
- Compete for open space plan
- Open Space Committee should have one member on the conservation committee
- Fix website
- Get Email
- Greenway to connect two towns
- Work with Taunton watershed committee
- Formalize events coordination
- Committee garden
- State forest development?
- OSRAC 5k

#### 4. Follow up actions:

Jeff schedule a meeting with Bill virtually, it might be before our next meeting.

#### 5. Next meeting scheduled: Feb 2/22

Brian M made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Carlos seconded.

Minutes recorded by committee clerk- Lynn Furtado

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List of documents/exhibits used by OSRAC during this meeting.

- Agenda